

October 28, 2009

The Stonington Board of Selectmen held a regular meeting on this date at the Stonington Police Station at 7:00 p.m. Present were First Selectman Edward Haberek, Selectman William Brown and Selectman Peter Balestracci. Also present were members of the public and press.

(1) Call to Order

Mr. Haberek called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

(2) Citations

Mr. Haberek presented Mr. Balestracci and Mr. Brown with Citations to express his appreciation for their service to the Town of Stonington as Selectmen.

(3) Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Balestracci, seconded by Mr. Brown and voted unanimously to accept the October 14, 2009 minutes as distributed.

(4) Comments from the Public

- Mr. Vincent Faulise thanked Mr. Brown and Mr. Balestracci for their contributions to the Town.

(5) Correspondence

- Mr. Haberek took in correspondence from The Stonington Historical Society thanking the Selectmen for their support of their "*Behind Stonington's Doors*" tour fundraising program.
- Mr. Haberek took in correspondence from George Sylvestre, Director of Administrative Services which was in response to the Stonington Ambulance Corps letter dated October 3, 2009 regarding their intent to move from Stonington Police Dispatch to Groton Dispatch Center.

(6) Appointments/Reappointments/Resignations

Conservation Commission

A motion was made by Mr. Balestracci, seconded by Mr. Brown and voted unanimously to appoint Walter Grant to the Conservation Commission as requested in his application under date of October 16, 2009.

Pawcatuck River Harbor Management Commission

A motion was made by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Balestracci and voted unanimously to reappoint Scott Dilley to the PRHMC as requested in his e-mail dated October 21, 2009.

Waterfront Commission

A motion was made by Mr. Balestracci, seconded by Mr. Brown and voted unanimously to reappoint Ethan Grimes to the Waterfront Commission as requested in the e-mail from Leslie Packer, Secretary of the Waterfront Commission on behalf of Mr. Grimes.

(7) Old Business

None

(8) New Business

Street Renumbering – 76 Pawcatuck Avenue

Mr. Haberek presented a memo from Joe Larkin, CZEO, Zoning Official requesting Map 13, Block 5, Lot 9 be assigned street number 76 Pawcatuck Avenue, Pawcatuck, Connecticut. A motion was made by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Balestracci and voted unanimously to assign the street number.

Resolution – Multi-Modal Transportation Study for the Mystic Seaport Area

Mr. Haberek read the following resolution:

“Resolved, that the First Selectman, be, and hereby authorized to sign the agreement entitled: Multi-Modal Transportation Study for the Mystic Seaport Area, ConnDOT Project No. 137-151/Federal Aid Project No. (OT)0007(143). Agreement for Professional Services between Town of Stonington, Connecticut and URS Corporation AES.” A motion was made by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Balestracci and voted unanimously to adopt the resolution.

Resolution – Rossi Velvet Mill Restoration

Mr. Haberek read the following resolution:

“Resolved, that Edward Haberek, Jr., First Selectman, be, and hereby authorized to sign the agreement entitled: First Supplemental Agreement to the Original Agreement dated February 10, 2005 between the State of Connecticut and the Town of Stonington for the Construction, Inspection, and Maintenance of Rossie Velvet Mill Restoration utilizing Federal Funds under the Surface Transportation Program.” A motion was made by Mr. Balestracci, seconded by Mr. Brown and voted unanimously to adopt the resolution.

Discussion: Mr. Brown stated that he was dismayed that the Town of Stonington would be supplying personnel for the cold case program that the State of Connecticut has initiated. He feels that if the State of Connecticut wants to do this they should have State employees and not take employees out of the Stonington Police Department.

(9) Comments from the Public

- Mr. Vincent Faulise agreed that he was also upset when he read about the cold case program.
- Ms. Fran O’Neil stated that she called someone Saturday to replace the cones that were blown over leaving the spikes sticking up on West Broad Street and asked if there is anyone on duty in the highway department on the weekend to take care of things. She also asked about the status of the tree trimming. She further inquired as to why Pawcatuck was not on the list to be paved and who is responsible for the failure of not having the roads paved.
- Mr. Faulise asked about all of the political signs that were stolen around town.
- Mrs. Tracy Swain asked if the highway guys could trim the trees downtown before CL & P comes in.
- Mr. Faulise asked who would be doing the tree trimming.
- Mrs. Swain stated the school crossing blinking lights on West Broad Street are not blinking during the day when school is in session but they blink at 3:00 a.m.
- Mr. Faulise inquired as to when the next Board of Selectmen meeting would be taking place.
- After discussion between the Selectmen it was decided that the November 11, 2009 Board of Selectmen meeting would be cancelled as it is Veteran’s Day.
- Mrs. Swain thanked Mr. Brown and Mr. Balestracci for helping the town and said they have done a really nice job.

(10)Adjourn

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristine Bell
Recording Secretary